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In re Patent Application of

**HARRINGTON et al.**

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CONDUCTING AUCTIONS OVER  
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated September 9, 1999 (for which petition is hereby made for a two-month extension of time), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 1 and 12-64 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add the following new claims to more particularly point out the invention:

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1--65. In an electronic auction system including an issuer's computer having a display and at least one bidder's computer having an input device and a display, said bidder's computer being located remotely from said issuer's computer, said computers

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